

VOX URANIÆ, 49
Or, ABERDEEN'S true Astral Gazette,
AND NEW

Prognostication

For the Year of our LORD, 1691
Being the third after Bissextile or Leap-Year.

Exactly calculated according to Art, for the Meridian of the famous City of ABERDEEN, whose Latitude is 57 deg. 10 min. serving in generall for the use of this Ancient Kingdom of SCOTLAND.



The Heavens declare the Glory of GOD, and the firmament sheweth his handy work.

Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth Knowledge.

Their line is gone out thorow al the Earth, and their words to the end of the world: in them hath he set a tabernacle for the Sun.

Which is as a Bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoyceth as a strong man to run a race. Psalm. 19.

His going forth is from the end of the Heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: & there is nothing hid from the heat thereof

*To end this Year with Peace, GOD give us Grace,
And afterwards in Heaven, LORD grant us place.*

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Loving Countrey-Men, believe no Almanacks to be printed at Aberdeen, but where you see my Name, for some presumptuous persons have wrong'd me the last year, and deceitfully cheated our Countrey, in the South & West of SCOTLAND, which shall not pass unrepresented unto the honorable Lords of their Majesties most honorable Privy Council.

An exact and true Note of the moveable Feasts and Terms in Scotland, for the Year 1691: according to our English-Account, (Old-Style.)

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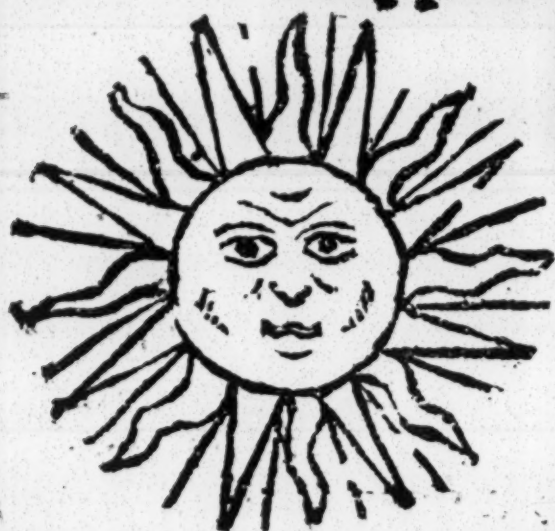
Fastens-Even on Tuesday, Febr. 24.

Easter, or Pasch-Sunday - Aprill 12.

Whitsunday, - - - May 31

Betwixt Candlemas-day this Year 1691, being Munday February 2d, and Fastens-Even-day February 24th, there are this Year of shot 21 days inclusive.

Of the Eclipses of the Luminaris which will happen in this year, 1691.



IN this Year of God 1691, there will happen two Eclipses of the Sun, but none of the Moon will fall in any part of this our Earthly Glob, in all this Solar Revolution.

The first Eclipse of the Sun will happen on February the eighteenth, about our five a'clock in the morning, but in respect it will be invisible to us, therefore I forbear to mention any further of it.

The second Eclipse of the Sun will be on Thursday the thirteenth day of August, near six of the clock at night; it is celebrated in one degree of Virgo, and will be a great Eclipse, if the Air be serene, three fourths of the Sun's Body will be obscured. The envious Planet Saturn rules the Horoscope, and will be in the ninth Angle, in platick Opposition of Jupiter: Mercury governs the Eclipses, and

and Mars from Gemini. (in Conjunction of the Bulls Eye)
casts an angry Quadrant both at the Eclipsed Sun
and him Verbum sat.

On the 25th day of July this Year, is Celebrated a famous
Opposition of Saturn & Mars; one of them is with the Pleiades, &
the other in Opposition unto that turbulent Constellation. The
effects whereof will not only be seen in the Air, but in the Actions
and Passions of humane kind; I mean that part of them that are
subject to those two Signs wherein the Opposition is made,
viz. Taurus and Scorpio.

The four Seasons of this Year 1691.

The Spring begins on Tuesday, March 10th, the Sun
entering into the Equinoctial Sign Aries, making
our days and nights equall.

The Summer Season begins on Thursday June
11th, the Sun then entering the Tropick Sign Cancer
making our days longest, and our nights shortest.

The Harvest Season, begins on Sunday September
13th, the Sun entering into the 2d Equinoctial Sign
Libra, making again our days and nights equall.

The Winter Season begins on Saturday Decem-
ber 12th, the Sun then entering into Capricorn,
making the shortest day and longest night.

The four Termly Quarters this Year 1691.

The first Quarter begins on Munday Februar 2d, called Can-
dlemas, or Our Ladies-day.

Second Quarter begins on Friday, May 1. Tho the vulgar
reckon from May 3, called Rood-day, which is Sunday this Year.

The third Quarter begins on Saturday, August 1. called Lam-
bas-day. God send us a good Harvest.

The fourth and last Termly Quarter begins on Sunday, No-
vember 1. which is called Hallow-day, so that Hallow-Even
this Year falls upon Saturday at Night before, being the last day of
October: And Martinmas-day is always upon the 11th day of
November being Wednesday this Year.

*A succinēt Computation of Time, and Memorable
Accidents which have hapned in Scotland to this pre-
sent Year, 1691*

Since The	Creation of the World	5640
	From the Creation untill the Flood	1656
	Flood to this present Year 1691.	3984
	From the Creation untill the Birth of our blessed Saviour Luke 2. about the end of the Year of the World.	3947
	Building of London,	2798
	Beginning of the Julian Year,	1735
	Death of our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ	1658
	Christian Faith was first received in Scotland,	1481
	Erection of the famous University of St Andrews, Anno 1411 in the time of Bishop Wardlaw,	280
	Invention of Printing,	251
	Colledge of Glasgow was builded by B. Turnbull,	236
	Erection and building of the Kings Colledge in the University of Aberdeen by Bishop Elphinston, 1500.	191
	Plague in Edinburgh wherein dyed 1000 People	107
	Bridge of Dee was first foughthen at Aberdeen, 1589.	102
	Evill windie Barthol-Day, 1592	99
	Colledge of Aberdeen was founded by the truly Noble GEORGE Earle Marischall, 1593.	98
	First great Eclipse of the Sun, ever since called the Dark Saterday, Februar 15th. 1597.	94
	Birth of K. CHARLES the first, November 19, 1600.	91
	Union of the Thissell and the Rose, 1603,	88
	Art of Printing with all its Priviledges was first or- dained to be set up at Aberdeen, by K. JAMES the VI. of Blessed Memorie, for the use of all his Ma- jesties Nobility and Loyall Subjects in the North of Scotland, and of the famous Citie and University of Aberdeen, (which are invested with all the Pri- viledges of the famous Universities of Paris and Bononia &c. Ratified in all Parliaments) which Gift was procured by the deceast eminent Servant of Iesus Christ, Bishop Patrick Forbes of Cors, and Sir Paul Menzies of Kinnundie then L. Provost of A- berdeen, Anno 1621.]	70

Birth of K. **CHARLES** the second. May 29. Anno 1630.
 Birth of K. **JAMES** the VII. October 14th. 1633.
 Bridge of Dee was foughten, June 18. 1639.
 Battle of Tippermoor, and St. Johnston, September, 1.
 and at Aberdeen, September 13. 1644.
 Battle of Inverlochie Februar 2. Aldern May 4. at Al-
 ford July 2. at Kilsyth. August 15. And at Philip-
 baugh, September 13. 1645.
 Last great Visitation or Plague at Edinburgh and Peter-
 head. Anno 1645.
 Last great Visitation or Plague in Aberdeen beginning
 Aprill. 1647.
 Birth of Our Gracious Sovereign K. **WILLIAM**,
 Anno 1650 November 4th *filio verere*
 Englishes entered Scotland July 22 d. Dumbar fight sep. 3.
 Edinburgh Castle rendred December 24. 1650.
 Storming of Dundee sept. 1. Worcester Fight, sept. 3. 1651
 Last great Eclipse of the Sun, ever since called the
 Mark Munday, March 29. 1652
 March of Generall Monck from Scotland to London &c.
 Feb. 9. Lambert declared Traitor, Aprill 21. And
 the happy restauration of our late Gracious Sove-
 reign, K. **CHARLES** the second, May 29. Anno 1660.
 Birth of Our Royall Sovereign Lady Queen. **MARY**,
 Aprill 30, 1662.
 Death of our late Sovereign K. **CHARLES** the
 second Februar 6. 1685.
 Arrivall of Our Gracious Sovereign into England, No-
 vember 5th 1688.

The Lord sits on the fouds; the Lord sits King, and ever shall;
 The Lord wil give his people strength, & with peace bless them all
 Psalm 29. 11.

Of the three Head-Courts in the Year.

1. *Tule Head Court* is always holden upon *Tuesday* af-
 ter the fixth day of *Iannuar*, which is *Up-Holy-day*.
2. *Pasch Head Court* is alwayes holden upon *Tuesday*
 after *Pasch-Day*, which is the *tuesd.* after the Feast.
3. *Michaelmass Head-Court* is alwayes holden upon
 the *Tuesday* after the Feast or *Michaelmass-day*.

An exact Everlasting Tyde-Table, to show all our brave Seamen and Travellers, the exact time of High-Water, or full-Sea, into all our Northern-Harbours, betwixt *Leith* and *Inverness*, according to the Age of the Moon, which any intelligent person may easily understand. And to know at any time, how many days old the Moon is, nothing is better then your Yearly Almanacks, for to reckon from the day of the Change: but note, if the Change be before 12 a'clock in the day, then the same day is the Prime, or first day of the Moon: but if the Change be after 12 then the next day is the Prime or first day.

Cromartie		The Age of the Moon	Montrose	
Millorchie			Dundee,	
Inverness,	ABER		S. Andrews	LEITH
Findorne.	DEEN.		Cryle, En-	in the
Spey, Bamff	Stonhyvo		ster, & all	FIRTH
Peterhead,			to Brunt-	
Newburgh			Yland.	

South,	S, by W.	In De.	S. S. W.	SW by S.
Ho. Mi.	Ho. Mi.	☾ ☾	Ho, Mi.	Ho. Mi.

12	48	1	33	1	16	2	18	3	3
1	36	2	21	2	17	3	6	3	51
2	24	3	9	3	18	3	54	4	39
3	12	3	57	4	19	4	42	5	27
4	0	4	45	5	20	5	30	6	15
4	48	5	33	6	21	6	18	7	3
5	36	6	21	7	22	7	6	7	51
6	24	7	9	8	23	7	54	8	39
7	12	7	57	9	24	8	42	9	27
8	0	8	45	10	25	9	30	10	15
8	48	9	33	11	26	10	18	11	3
9	36	10	21	12	27	11	6	11	51
10	24	11	9	13	28	11	54	12	39
11	12	11	57	14	29	12	42	1	27
12	0	12	45	15	30	1	30	2	15

The Exact Day, Hour and Minute of the New-moon;
her full and quarters, throughout this year 1691, with
the true rising and setting of the Sun, every 11 or 12
day of the Moneth, according to the latitude of 57 de-
grees, with the Sign, the Sun is then into: Also, the
true length of the Day and of the Night, and how
many dayes the Moon hath in each Moneth, with the
disposition of the Weather, and Yearly Fairs.

 **New Moon.**  **Second quarter**  **Full Moon**  **Last quarter.**

January begins on Thursday, XXXI days.

Sun riseth in ♈ at 8 ho. sets at 4 ho.

Moon hath 29 days, Day is 8 ho. Night is 16 ho.

Full Moon Sunday 4 day, 31 min. past 11 forenoon.

Last qu. Sunday 11 day, 45 min. past 8 morning.

Change Munday 19 day, 11 houres in the forenoon.

Second qu. Tuesday 27 day, at 6 in the morning.

The first two dayes windie and stormie, to the 11th more fair
but windie, to the 18th inclining to snow and stormie, to the 30.
frost, with some winds snow or rain, the last day is an odd day.

A fair at the kirk of Bethelnie 7 day, s. Naughlans at Oldmel-
drum 2 tuesd. Tantan fair at Lawrence-kirk 17 d. s. Pauls fair at
Tarves 3 tuesd. s. Pauls fair at Turreff the last tuesday.

February begins on Sunday, XXVIII days.

Sun riseth in ♈ at 7 ho. sets at 5 ho.

Moon hath 30 days, Day is 10 ho. Night is 14 ho.

Full Moon Munday 2 day, 41 min. past 9 at night.

Last qu. Munday 9 day, at 12 a'clock at night.

Change Wednesday 18 day, 18 min past 4 morning.

Second qu. Wednesday 25 day, 29 min. past 5 at night.

This Moneth begins with a Sea storm for some dayes, with wind
hail or sleet to the 17 day: to the 26 looking more fair but win-
die, the rest indifferent cold winter weather &c.

S. Bride

S. Brides fair at Abernethie and Inverness 1 d. at Rattray first tuesd. Valentines fair at Drumblate, in the Park of Slioch and at Methlick 2 tuesd. Fallens-Evens fair at Fyvie, also in the good town of Elgin, on Fastens-Evens d. Fastens-Evens fair at Brichen, which continueth till Pasch with the Cassa-Market in lentron every tuesd

March begins on Sunday, XXXI days.

Sun riseth in ♋ at 6 ho. sets at 6 ho.

Moon hath 30 days, Day is 12 ho. Night is 12 ho. Full Moon Wednesday 4 day, 15 min. past 8 morning. Last qu. Wednesday 11 day, 20 min. past 6 at night. Change Thursday 19 day, 42 min. past 7 at night. Second qu. Friday 27 day, 26 min. before 1 morning.

Moistie and clowdie weather to the 4 day, fair weather yet windie, with some showers, to the 11 day, to the 19 variable, to the 28 more fair, the rest windie with some rain.

A fair at Marnoch-kirk 1 d. s. Davids fair at Kennoway 2 d, at Pettenweem 3 d. Marnoch fair at the Kirk of Leuchel 1 tuesd. a fair at Crile the first thurs. s. Mark at Inverness 10 d. s. Anns fair at Tarves 2 tuesd. a fair at the Kirk of Auchindor, and s. Cuthberts fair at Ordewhill in Kirktown, both on the 3 tuesd. a fair at Kinross 3 wed. Ladie-day in Wester-Weems, and Bamff, 25 d.

Faires whiles in March and whiles in Aprill.

Midlentron fair at Tarntie-Banchry on thurs. before midlentron sund. Palm sund. at the Kirk of Foirc, Inverness and s. Johnston. Palm-tuesd. at Briecken, Skierthursd. before Pasch in Old-Aberdeen, also in the good Town of Elgin, on thursd. before Pasch, Pasch-mund. in Cowper of Fiffe.

Aprill begins on Wednesday XXX days.

Sun riseth in ♈ at 5 ho. sets at 7 ho.

Moon hath 29 days, Day is 14 ho. Night is 10 ho. Full Moon Thursday 2 day, 12 min. past 7 at night. Last qu. Friday 10 day, about 1 afternoon.

Change Saturday 18 day, 30 min. past 8 morning. Second qu. Saturday 25 day, 54 min. past 6 morning.

Clowdie and windie with rain or some hail to the x day, then to the xvii more fair and temperate, to the xxiv variable, sometimes wind, rain and perhaps thunder, the rest indifferent good weather.

S. Oles

S. Oles fair at Cruden, 1 tuesday. and at Borrowstonness on tuesday before Pasch a fair at Newburgh upon the water of Ithan 3 tuesd. Donald fair at Auchterless 17 d. s. Mark in Dyfert, and Forres 23 d. s. George fair at Methlick 4 tuesd. Rude fair at Rattrey last tuesd. at Kikrenie 30 d.

May begins on Friday, XXXI days.

Sun riseth in Π at 4 ho. sets at 8 ho.

Moon bath 30 days, Day is 16 ho. Night is 8 ho.

Full Moon Saturday 2 day, 2 min. past 7 morning.

Last qu. Sunday. 10 day, 27 min. past 7 morning.

Change Sunday 17 day, 19 min. past 6 at night.

Second qu. Munday. 25 day, 40 min. past 8 morning.

Full Moon Sunday 31 day; 44 min. past 7 at night.

The Air is often disturbed with wind, rain, thunder or lightning and unwholesome blasts to the xiii day, then to the xxv windie and hot, most part fair, yet sometimes variable, the month ends pretty fair.

Rude fair in Ellon, Holie-cross day at Bewley near Lovat 3 d. Rude fair at Montrose the 1 tuesd. s. Johns fair at Tarves, s. Congals fair at the Kirk of Doors, and s. James fair at the Kirk-town, of Inch in the Gerrie 3 tuesd. s. Johns fair at Oldmeldrum the last tuesd. and at Glenquithel last wednesd.

Faires whiles in May, and whiles in June.

Whitsun. tuesday at Dumblain S. Ninians upon the moor of Alith in Angus 2 tuesd. before Whitsund. a fair at Leslie on thursd. before whitsund. at Borrowstonness, and Peter-head. Trinity fair in the good town of Elgin, & Alexanders fair in New-mil at Keith, Christs fair at the Kirk of Udnie holds all upon tuesd. after whitsund. Trinitie fair on the moor of Briecken begins on wednesd. after whitsund. continuing the whole week and tuesd. after in the town, and the week after Trinitie on the moor of Dun.

June begins on Munday XXX days.

Snn riseth in \odot at 3 ho. sets at 9 ho.

Moon bath 29 days, Day is 18 ho. Night is 6 ho.

Last qu. Munday 8 day, 36 min. past 11 at night.

Change Tuesday 16 day, 28 min. past 2 morning.

Second qu. Munday 22 day, 14 min. past 5 afternoon.

Full Moon

Full Moon Tuesday 30 day, 15 min. past 10 forenoon.

To the xv day indifferent good weather, with some rain, variable with Southwest winds to the xxii day, the rest of the moneth good Summer weather.

S. Colms fair at the old-town of Carnousie, at Partonraig and a fair at Lundie in Angus 1 tuesd. s. Colms fair on Muirskieth in Angus, near the Kirk of Cortachie, at Belhelvie. New-Deer, and Kirktown of David, all on the 2 tuesd. s. Tarnahs fair at Tarntie-Banchrie the 11 d. s. Davids fair at Ballegerno the 12 d. s. Margarers fair on the mains of Keithball, and at Turreff 3 tuesd. midsummer fair at s. Johnston 14 d. s. Antonies fair at Inverliethen in peebles, 15 d. s. Serffs fair at Cul-samon in Gerrie last tuesd. s. Johns fair at Fraserburgh the last frid. **July begins on Wednesday, XXXI days.**

Sun riseth in Ω at 4 ho. sets at 8 ho.

Moon hath 29 days, Day is 16 ho. Night is 8 ho.

Last qu. **Wednesday 8 day, 52 min. past 1 afternoon.**
Change **Wednesday 15 day, 39 min. past 9 morning.**
Second qu. **Wednesd 22 day, 34 min. past 1 morning.**
Full Moon **Thursday 30 day, 19 min. past 1 morning.**

clowdie overcasts with some rain and wind, to the viii day, then to the xiv hot weather looking like thunder with some rain, to the xxii variable, the rest windie weather and clowdie.

Calder fair at Mickle Cross on the moor of Moorton commonly called Black-stob, the 2 d. s. Mathews fair at Rosehartie in Buchan, and at Dundee, both on the 1 tuesday, S. Martin Bulzeons fair at Cowper in Angus 4 day, Peter fair at Peter-head 5 d. Montrose fair at pleasant Montrose the 2 tuesd. to be holden in all time coming upon the common moor thereof; also Aikie fair in Old-deer and Borrowstonness. 2 tuesd. s. James fair in the good town of Elgin the 25 d. but falling on saterd. or sund. the tuesd. after is the said fair, s. Margarets fair at Tarves, & s. Andrews at the Kirk of Glas in Strathboggie 3 tuesd. a fair at Kinross the 3 wed. s. James fair at Ordewhill in Kirktown 4 tuesd. Polinar fair at Inverurie, Lambas fair at Turreff, at New-leslie, at Kinloch Ranoch in Athol, all on the last tuesd.

August begins on Saturday, XXXI days.

Sun riseth in Υ at 5 ho. sets at 7 ho.

Moon bath 30 days, Day is 14 ho. Night is 10 ho.
Last qu. Friday 7 day, at 1 a'clock in the morning.
Change Thursday 13 day, 40 min. past 5 afternoon.
Second qu. Thursday 20 day, 12 min. past 2 morning.
Full Moon Friday 28 day, 6 min. past 5 morning.

*To the xiii day variable weather sometimes fair, and sometimes rain
and winds, then to the xx more temperat, to the end of the moneth good
for filling the Corns being variable, especially about Barthol-day.*

Lawrence fair in Old-Rain and a fair at Lundie in Angus
1 tuesd. s. Lawrence fair at Methlick Marimass fair at Moni-
musk and s. James fair at Drumblate and in the Park of
Slioch and S. Thomas fair at the Kirk of Strichen all on the
2 tuesd. s. Lawrence at Dumblane 10 d. Lady day in Dundee
15 d. Marimass fair at Ellon, Inverness, Rattray and at the kirk of
Auchindoor. and at Carnoufie all on the 3 tuesd. with a weekly
Mercat every wed. Barthol fair at Kincairn of Niel, and s. Giles
fair in the town of Elgin both on the last tuesd.

September begins on Tuesday XXX days.

Sun riseth in ☾ at 6 ho. sets at 6 ho.

Moon bath 30 days, Day is 12 ho. Night is 12 ho.
Last qu. Saturday 5 day, 50 min. past 10 forenoon.
Change Saturday 12 day, 3 min. past 1 afternoon.
Second qu. Saturday 19 day, 3 min. past 6 morning.
Full Moon Sunday 27 day 58 min. past 10 forenoon.

*In this moneth be busie in cutting down your Corns, and getting them
into the Yards, for fear of great winds, yet I trust all shall go well with
the honest Ground Labourer, because the weather wil not prove very bad.*

S. Giles in Elgin 1 d. Semarivis fair at Keith 1 tuesd. latter Lady-
day at Dundee, and Inverurie 8 d. Foremartins fair at Tarves and
latter Marie-day at Inverbervie, and Monimusk the 2 tuesd. Marie
fair on Muirsketh near the kirk of Cortachie in Angus also 2 tuesd.
a fair at Crile 2 thursd. a fair at the kirk of Auchindoor 3 tuesd. Rood
fair at the kirk of Glas, a fair at the kirk of Udnie, and s. Monans
fair at the kirk of Doors 3 tuesd. Margarets fair at Kennoway 24 d.
with a weeklie mercat everie wednesd. Michel fair at New-Leslie,
and s. Elizabeths fair at Ballegerno both 29 d. Michaelmass fair at
Bewlie near Lovat 29 d. s. Matthews fair at Ordewhill in Kirk-
town 4 tuesd. s. Katherins fair in New-mill at Keith, Michel fair at

the kirk of Kinkel, and at Frazerburgh, all on the last tues. s. Michaelmas fair in the good town of Elgin the last tuesd. the craft-market at Brichen begins on tuesd. after Michaelmas continuing till christmas, but tuesd after Martinmas is greater then the rest.

October begins on Thursday, XXXI days.

Sun riseth in m at 7 ho. sets at 5 ho.

Moon bath 28 days, Day is 10 ho. Night is 14 ho.

Last qu. Sunday 4 day, 32 min. past 6 at night.

Change Sunday 11 day, 56 min. past 11 forenoon.

Second qu. Monday 19 day, past 1 in the morning.

Full Moon Monday 26 day, 19 min. past 12 forenoon.

Cloudie with winds to the iv day, more fair with some sudden storm of wind and rain to the xiv day, then to the xxiv variable winter like weather with clouds and winds, the rest of the moneth more fair.

A fair at Dundee, Kinloch Ranoch in Athol, cowin fair at Turreff, and s. Davids fair upon the muir of Alith in Angus, all on the 1 tuesd. at Cowper 6 d. and at Cowper in Angus 10 d. s. Marks fair at Rosehartie in Buchan 2 tues. with a weekly mercat every frid. Truell fair, and at Monifeeth, s. Rules fair at Newburgh 2 tuesd. with a weekly mercat every thurs. at Belhelvie 2 wed. at Borrowstonness 16. d. s. Lukes fair in Old-Aberdeen 3 tues. s. Iohns fair at the kirk-town of Inch in the Gerry 3 tuesd. s. Tanglans fair at Tarves and at Parton-Craig last tuesd.

November begins on Sunday XXX days.

Sun riseth in 4 at 8 ho. sets at 4 ho.

Moon bath 30 days, Day is 8 ho. Night is 16 ho.

Last qu. Tuesday 3 day, 2 min. past 2 morning.

Change Tuesday 10 day, 5 min. past 1 morning.

Second qu. Tuesday 17 day, 34 min. past 9 morning.

Full Moon Wednesday. 25 day, 26 min. past 2 afternoon.

Variable weather to the x day which is Martinmas-Even, good news to Bankers. then to the xvii more fair, to the xxv some whistling winds and rain, the rest indifferent good.

Hallow fair at Bewlie near Lovat, and at Dumblain 1 d. Hallow fair at the Kirk of Strichen 1 tuesday and Wednesday Martinmas fair at Strathboggie, Inverness, and Cowper 11 d. at Dundee

12 d. s. Brides fair at Bewlie near Lovat 15 d. at Borrowstonnells 16 d.
s. Denicke fair at Methlick 2 tuesd. at Tane 22 d. Andersmafs fair at
Stradon 29 day, and at Old-meldrum last tuesd. at s. Johnston 30 d.
December begins on Tuesday XXXI days.

Sun. riseth in v^o at 9 ho. sets at 3 ho.

Moon hath 30 dayes, Day is 6 ho. Night is 18 ho.

Last qu. Wednesday 2 day; 44 min. past 9 morning.

Change Wednesday 9 day, 41 min. past 2 afternoon.

Second qu. Thursday 17 day, 23 min 6 at night.

Full Moon Friday 25 day, past 3 morning.

Last qu. Thursday 31 day. 10 min. past 4 afternoon.

*Now, wot ye what sayes December? He will make
us remember, how we have spent the Summer; for ma-
ny lazse Lubbers shail find both cold and hunger. In
this moneth generally according to the season you need
not expect much fair weather, but Cold, Snow, Frost,
Hail, Rain and wind. And about Christmas remember
your Charity to the Poor. and let them not stand long
knocking at your Gates and Doores. (Valete.)*

*Andersmafs fair at Frasersburgh 1 tuesd. Dustan fair at Deer,
kirktown of Inch in Gerry, Bamff and Rothemay 14 d. s. Tho-
mas at Inverness, and at Doun in Monteith 18 d. at Tarves
this year on tuesd before Yule, and at the kirk of David last tuesd.*

Advertisements for severall new Faires.

*These are to give notice, that there are three speciall good new
yearly Fairs, to be holden at Gordon-Castle, within the Parish of
Billie and Sherifffdom of Bamff, belonging to his Grace, My Lord
Duke GORDON. The first of these yearly new Fairs is called
Elisabeths fair to be holden at Gordon-Castle, upon the last tuesd.
of May. The second of these new Fairs, is called S. Margarets fair,
to be holden at Gordon-Castle, upon the penult tuesd. of April. The
third of these new Fairs, is called S. Andrews fair, to be holden
at Gordon-Castle on the penult day of October. These fairs consisting
of all manner of Bestiall, Flaiding and Flingring-cloth, Stockings,
and all other Merchandise for the use of the Countrey.*

These

There are to give notice, that there are two special good new Yearly fairs, to be holden at the Town of Slains in Buchan, within the Shire of Aberdeen, belonging to the Earle of ERROLL. The first fair is to stand at the said Town of Slains upon the second tuesd. of June yearly, and the second of the saids new faires at the said Town of Slains, upon the third tuesd. of October, which two faires are yearly to continue for the space of three days, the first day for all sorts of Cloaths, stuffs and stockings, &c. The second being wed. for all kind of Bestiall, and the 3d day the same, which two new faires are to be custom free for five years after whitsunday last 1687. Likewise there is a special good weekly Mercat at the said Town of Slains everie thurs. throughout the year, of fishes and fleshes, Meall and Malt, and all other kind of Countrey Provision, &c.

There are five special good yearly faires which holds at the town of Bewly within the Sherifffdom of Inverness belonging to my Lord LOVAT. The first fair, is Holy-cross-day which stands upon the third day of May. The second called Emelia fair the first tuesday of August. The third called Michaelmas fair, upon the twenty-ninth of September holding 3 days. The fourth is Hallovv Fair November first day, holding 3 days. The fifth is s. Brids Fair upon the fifteenth of November. With a good vweekly mercat very Thursday.

There are two special good new Yearly Fairs to be holden at the kirktown of Newtyle within the Sherifffdom of Angus, belonging to the Right Honorable, Sir GEORGE MACKENZIE of Rosebaugh. The first of these new fairs is to be holden at the kirktown of Newtyle upon the second Tuesd. and Wednesd. next after Whitsunday yearly. And the second of the saids new faires is to be holden at the said kirktown of Newtyle upon the second Tuesday and Wednesday next after the latter Ladie fair at Dundee.

No News, this New Year; dare we sing;
Lest News foretold, should Dangers bring.
Old Sinners, New Saints, Lord make us all,
To sing thy Praises E-ter-nall.
For it may please the GOD of Might.
Even to cause all things happen right.

Some choise & Divine Sentences for the Readers instruction

1. Let thy Discourse be pleasing and profitable; be cautious what thou speakest, to whom, how, and when; let what thou speakest be neither false nor impertinent, nor too much; not false, for God is the Author of Truth, and the Devil is the Father of Lies.

2. Be very circumspect in the choice of thy Companions. Those we frequently converse with, have a great influence upon us: Either to improve and better us, or to make us worse. *Ioseph* by being in *Pharaoh's* Court, learned to swear by the life of *Pharaoh*.

3. Avoid as well the occasion and appearance of evil, as the evil it self. For he that toucheth Pitch shall be defiled therewith. Remember *Dinah* the daughter of *Leab*, who went forth a Virgin to see the daughters of the Land in their sports and May-games, but was defiled before her return.

4. Of all Endowments which GOD hath given the Sons of Men, *Wisdom* is the principall: For

1. A prudent Man concealeth Knowledge, and keepeth his mind till afterward: but the heart of the Fool proclaimeth foolishness, he uttereth all his mind.

2. He that walketh with wise Men shall be wise: but a Companion of Fools shall be broken.

3. A prudent man forseeth the euill, and hideth himself; but the simple pass on, and are punished. Happy is the Man that feareth always, but he that hardeneth his heart falleth into Mischiefe.

4. Whoso keepeth his Mouth and Tongue, keepeth his Soul from Trouble.

Turn over, and so farewell,

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An Ancient Dutch Prediction, for the Year

1691

FOur Figures upside down, read as ye will,
Mak's Year the same, and equall number still.
In that same Year, great Turnings shall be made,
LILLY's that Year e're *August* first, shall fade.
The fragrant ROSE, shall blossom sweetly fair,
THISTLE shall prick each hand that touch it dare:
Yet these three joyn'd, shall pleasant Nose-gay be,
The HARP right tun'd make better Melodie,
A Crew of Brethren, come of flesh and Blood,
Yet wanting both, brought up on Land and Flood;
This Year shall in all Courts and Councils creep,
Disclose their Secrets, yet their Secrets keep:
Condemn, absolve, raise strife, and compose jars,
In Peace teach meekness, but in time of Wars,
Shall rush as swift as shaft from *Turkish-Bow*,
Shall wound the Horses, and lay the Ryder low.
Though fierce in Fight, to make the stoutest quake,
They shall be readie still good Truce to make;
To just great Differences, End Debates,
Secure all Ranks in Properties, Estates.

Lord bless and save, Our *King* and *Queen*,
That SION'S GLORY may be seen,
To flourish in these sinfull Lands.

For to preserv's from Wicked-bands.

And let the Glory of their *Triple-Crown*,
Erect the Good, and throw the Wicked down.

Finis quod FORBES

GOD Save King *WILLIAM* and Queen *MART*.
Post *BELLUM PAX, Amen.*

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